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After being arrested, suspects wait to be processed, some will have their immigration status checked by a fingerprint scanner at a 287(g) processing station, at the Maricopa County **Sheriff's Office Fourth Avenue** jail Monday, July 26, 2010, in Phoenix.

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Phil Mickelson watches his shot on the 15th hole during a practice round for the PGA Championship golf tournament Tuesday, Aug. 10, 2010, at Whistling Straits in Haven, Wis.

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AT PRESS TIME

Georgia Republicans splitting primary vote

DAVID ESPO

AP Special Correspondent WASHINGTON (AP) Former Georgia Secretary of State Karen Handel and ex-Rep. Nathan Deal swapped leads in a close gubernatorial primary runoff Tuesday night, and voters in Connecticut, Minnesota and Colorado chose candidates for the November's general elections in a season of peril for establishment politicians of both parties.

The two Georgia Republicans vied for the right to take on former Democratic Gov. Roy Barnes, who unleashed the first television ad of their fall campaign before knowing the name of his rival.

Deal was winning slightly more than 50 percent of the vote and Handel slightly less in returns from 40 percent of the state's precincts.



In this July 27, 2010 photo, Georgia gubernatorial candidate Karen Handel speaks to supporters as a fund raiser in Atlanta. Handel has been hit with an ethics complaint alleging she used \$13,200 from her secretary of state campaign account to illegally pay staff working on her gubernatorial campaign. Handel's campaign lawyer said the expenditure was perfectly legal.

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in Anchorage, Alaska, announcing that he is running for reelection. Stevens was believed to be aboard a plane that crashed amid southwest Alaska's remote mountains and lakes, authorities said Tuesday, Aug. 10, 2010.

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Former Alaska Sen. Ted **Stevens dies in plane crash**

BECKY BOHRER

Associated Press Writer

JUNEAU, Alaska (AP) — A single-engine plane carrying longtime former Republican Sen. Ted Stevens crashed into a remote Alaska mountainside, killing the state's most beloved political figure and four others and stranding the survivors on brush-and-rock-covered slopes overnight until rescuers could reach them. Continued on Page 5

U.S. aid winning friends in flood-ravaged Pakistan

CHRIS BRUMMITT

Associated Press Writer

KALAM, Pakistan (AP) — U.S. Army choppers carrying emergency food and water buzzed over the swollen river and washed-out bridges, landing in the valley once controlled by the Taliban. They returned laden with grateful Pakistani flood survivors — newly won friends in a country where many regard America as the No. 1 enemy. With Pakistan reeling from two weeks of flooding that has killed 1,500 and affected nearly 14 million people, the aid and rescue mission by the U.S. military gives Washington a chance to strengthen a sometimes troubled alliance that is crucial to fighting militancy in the region and ensuring a stable Afghanistan.

Besides helping those trapped by the high water, the U.S. assistance already is having another effect: The Pakistani Taliban denounced it and urged a boycott of Western aid.

Other U.S. relief missions to disasters in the Muslim world — including the 2005 earthquake in Pakistan-controlled Kashmir and the 2004 tsunami in Indonesia — were credited with improving the image of the United States, at least in the short term. Now, as U.S. troops work side by side with Pakistani forces, the mission may relieve some pressure on the civilian government in Islamabad. President Asif Ali Zardari, who returned Tuesday to Pakistan, has been criticized for being abroad since Aug. 1, amid one of the worst natural disasters in his country's history.

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Pakistan army soldiers distribute food relief among flood survivors in Sukkar, Pakistan on Tuesday, Aug. 10, 2010. Pakistani President Asif Ali Zardari returned Tuesday to flood-ravaged Pakistan, where he faced a storm of criticism for visiting Europe as his country was gripped by what his government called the nation's worst natural disaster.

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House moves to help teachers, public workers



President Barack Obama, accompanied by Education Secretary Education Arne Duncan, gives his support to out-of-work teachers while speaking in the Rose Garden of the White House in Washington, Tuesday, Aug. 10, 2010, to urge the House to pass legislation that could help keep 160,000 educators on the job.

JIM ABRAMS

Associated Press Writer
WASHINGTON (AP) —
Members of the House of
Representatives returned

to steamy Washington in a rare August callback and quickly passed a \$26 billion jobs bill with unmistakable implications for the November Associated Press congressional elections.

President Barack Obama signed the bill into law just hours after the House passed it in a special one-day session during what would normally have been the lawmakers' summer break.

Both the majority Democrats and the Republicans expect to score political points from the vote. Obama's Democrats contend the new law will save jobs and boost the ailing economy.

Republicans say opposition to the bill was designed to stop profligate spending by the Democratic government at a time when the U.S. budget deficit is at an all-time high and is climbing. The \$26 billion bill would protect 300,000 teachers, police and others from election-year layoffs. Obama and Democrats said quick action was necessary before children return to classrooms minus teachers laid off because of budgetary crises in states that have been hit hard by the recession.

House Democratic leaders, intenton showing disenchanted

voters their commitment to economic recovery, insisted on the one-day session to pass the highly political legislation.

Lawmakers rushing back from town hall meetings and vacations also addressed another issue that will be on voters' minds this November, lax security on the U.S. borders, especially the southern border with Mexico. They approved a \$600 million bill to reinforce surveillance along that border.

The leader of the House, Speaker Nancy Pelosi, convened the recess session because the Senate passed both the \$26 billion jobs bill and the border security bill last Thursday, after the House had left for its six-week summer break.

The jobs legislation provides \$10 billion to school districts to rehire laid-off teachers or ensure that more teachers will not be let go before the new school year begins.





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Fingerprint sharing led to deportation of 47,000

SUZANNE GAMBOA

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — A rapidly expanding illegal immigration enforcement program has led to the deportation of 47,000 people over 18 months when the Homeland Security Department was sifting through millions of fingerprints taken at local jail bookings.

About one-quarter of those had no criminal record and slightly fewer, about one-fifth, had committed or were charged with what are categorized as the most serious crimes, according to government data obtained by immigration advocacy groups who had sued.

ICE posted the data on its website late Monday in advance of the group's release of the data Tuesday.

The federal government says the fingerprint sharing program, known as Secure Communities, helps to identify criminal immigrants who might threaten public safety in the United States.

Secure Communities is one of several ICE programs targeting immigrants charged or convicted of crimes. Overall, 49 percent of the immigrants ICE has deported so far this year have been criminals, compared to 35 percent all of last fiscal year.

Immigration advocates say the government spends too much time on lower-level criminals and people who have not committed crimes.

They also allege the program makes people fearful of reporting crimes, does not protect against racial profiling and is being forced on some communities without consent.

"ICE essentially throws a gill net over the concept of immigration reform. It sweeps up all the little people along with what they say is their intention, which is to deport serious and violent criminals," said San Francisco Sheriff Michael Hennessey, whose city is having trouble getting out of the program.

He said people picked up on traffic violations, whose charges are later dropped, still get deported.

From October 2008 through June of this year, 46,929 people identified through Secure Communities were removed from the United States, the documents show. Of those, 12,293 were considered noncriminals and 9,831 were labeled as having committed the most serious crimes.

Fingerprints of people booked into jails already are sent to state criminal justice departments to be checked against

federal criminal databases. Under Secure Communities, they also go to Immigration and Customs Enforcement to run through Homeland Security databases.

Immigration and Customs Enforcement divides crimes into three categories, with Level 1 being the most serious. Level 1 crimes include actions that threaten or compromise national security, murder, rape, drug crimes punishable by more than one year, theft and even resisting arrest.

Most of those deported committed Level 2 or 3 crimes or were not criminals, a monthly report of Secure Communities statistics shows.

Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano announced Tuesday that Secure Communities is in place in all 25 counties along the U.S.-Mexico border. Her statement, released just before advocates criticized the program in a conference call with media, did not say when that occurred.

"Secure Communities gives ICE the ability to work with our state and local law enforcement partners to identify criminal aliens who are already in their custody, expediting their removal and keeping our communities safer," Napolitano said.

Richard Rocha, an Immigration and Customs Enforcement spokesman, said Monday that noncriminals may be people who have failed to show up for deportation hearings, who recently crossed the border illegally or who re-entered the country after deportation. He also said it is important to remember that more people commit offenses that are considered Level 2 and 3 crimes

The Obama administration wants Secure Communities operating nationwide by 2013.

As of Aug. 3, 494 counties and local and state agencies in 27 states were sharing fingerprints from jail bookings through the program.

California had the highest percentage of immigrants deported who had committed Level 1 crimes, with 38 percent of a total 14,823 immigrants sent out of the country, according to statistics from 24 of the states participating through the end of June. In Georgia, 39 percent of 624 immigrants removed were noncriminals, the highest rate among the states.

Travis County, Texas led all counties with the highest percentage of noncriminals deported, 82 percent of 724, according to the groups' analysis of the statistics.



A suspect, left, is fingerprinted by a Maricopa Country Sheriff's detention officer on Monday, July 26, 2010 to check his immigration status at a 287(g) processing station after being brought from the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office Fourth Avenue Jail in Phoenix. The federal government is rapidly expanding a program to identify illegal immigrants using fingerprints from arrests, drawing opposition from local authorities and advocates who argue the initiative amounts to an excessive dragnet. The program has gotten less attention than Arizona's new immigration law, but it may end up having a bigger impact because of its potential to round up and deport so many immigrants nationwide.

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Rangel: 'Don't leave me swinging in the wind'



This video image provided by House Television shows Rep. Charles Rangel, D-N.Y. speaking on the floor of the House on Capitol Hill in Washington, Tuesday, Aug. 10, 2010.

Associated Press

LARRY MARGASAK Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — A combative Democratic lawmaker who has served 40 years in the U.S. House of Representatives told his colleagues Tuesday he is not resigning despite 13 charges of wrongdoing and demanded the ethics committee not leave him "swinging in the wind." Rep. Charles Rangel, who is 80, spoke without notes in an extraordinary, often emotional

37-minute speech that defied his lawyers' advice to keep quiet about his case. The New York Democrat had a sharp message in dismissing fellow Democrats who — worried about November election losses — want him to quit,

"If I can't get my dignity back here, then fire your best shot in getting rid of me through expulsion," he said.

Democrats, already anxious about losing control of the House in the elections, want to avoid a trial for Rangel and another House member facing ethics charges. Republicans relish the prospect of ethics trials, figuring they would damage the image Democrats' have tried to develop as reformers in advance of the voting.

Expulsion is the harshest penalty that can result from an ethics case. It would be highly unlikely in Rangel's case because the former chairman of the tax-writing Ways and Means Committee is not accused of corruption.

Rangel, who said he lost much sleep during the twoyear investigation, was interrupted by applause twice — including when he said, "I am not going away. I am here." A few Republicans clapped, but most support came from Democrats.

Several Republican lawmakers embraced Rangel's call for swifter handling of ethics cases.

"Two years is longer than a normal criminal case usually takes," said California Republican Rep. Darrell Issa.

to avoid a trial for Rangel and another House member facing should have been brought and EBS television interview on July 30. The president

Rep. Tom Cole, a Republican from Oklahoma, said Rangel drove home the point that lawmakers deserve "a fair process" when ethics allegations arise.

Rangel acknowledged he made mistakes, especially in belated reporting of hundreds of thousands of dollars in assets and income, but insisted he was not corrupt.

"I'm not asking for leniency. I'm asking for exposure of the facts," he said in demanding that the ethics panel expedite the hearing of his case.

Rangel noted the committee is scheduled to convene Sept. 13, the day before his primary, but that the main part of his ethics trial would not come until later in the fall.

"Don't leave me swinging in the wind until November," he demanded.

Rangel, known for his friendly, backslapping demeanor but he sol also his toughness on legislative issues, said he had his own interpretation of President him.

Barack Obama's remarks in a CBS television interview on July 30. The president said, "He's somebody who's at the end of his career. I'm sure that what he wants is to be able to end his career with dignity. And my hope is that it happens."

Rangel said, "When the president said he wanted me to end my career in dignity, he didn't put a time limit on it." White House spokesman Bill Burton would not elaborate on what Obama meant, including whether the president was sending Rangel a not-soveiled suggestion that he leave Congress.

"I think the president's words speak for themselves," Burton said.

Rangel said his legal bills have reached nearly \$2 million and he cannot afford to keep paying — especially when "nobody is going to read the defense."

Rangel is charged with doing legislative favors for donors he solicited — on official stationery — for contributions to a college center named after him.

Clinton urges Iran to release political prisoners

WASHINGTON (AP) — Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton urged Iran on Tuesday to release all political prisoners and expressed alarm about the fate of several specific prisoners.

Clinton said the United States believes that several Iranians are in danger of imminent execution for speaking out against the disputed June 2009 presidential election. She named three: Jafar Kazemi, Mohammad Haj Aghaei and Javad Lari. "The United States urges the Iranian government to halt these executions in accordance with its obligations

to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and calls for the immediate release of all political prisoners and imprisoned human rights defenders," she said.

In her written statement, Clinton urged solidarity with the Iranian people, saying the United States is concerned deeply that Iran is denying its citizens their civil rights.

Clinton did not say why she was speaking out on this issue now. Earlier Tuesday her spokesman, P.J. Crowley, told reporters that the issue of human rights abuses in Iran is likely to be on the agenda



In this image made from TV footage, U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton speaks at an international conference on Afghanistan's future in Kabul on Tuesday July 20, 2010.

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if the United States, Iran and other nations meet this year to discuss Iran's nuclear program.

"We obviously have concerns, long-standing concerns about the persecution of minorities inside Iran," Crowley said. "It is not a tolerant society."

Clinton mentioned the case of Sakineh Mohammadi Ashtiani, whose sentence of death by stoning was lifted in July. That announcement came after international outrage over plans to execute the mother of two for adultery, which her supporters say she confessed to under duress.

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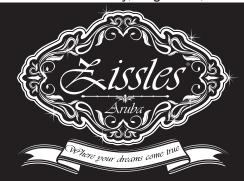
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STEVENS

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Volunteers discovered the wreckage late Monday and tended to the injured, including Stevens' fishing buddy, EADS North America CEO and ex-NASA chief Sean O'Keefe, until help could arrive Tuesday.

The 86-year-old Stevens' death stunned both lawmakers and residents alike, even in a state familiar with plane crashes, because of his pre-eminence in Alaska history: A decorated World War II pilot who survived a deadly 1978 plane crash, he was the longestserving Republican senator in history and spent his 40-year Senate career bringing billions of federal dollars home. One failed effort — the infamous "Bridge to Nowhere" became part of his legacy, as did convictions that helped foil his 2008 campaign but were later tossed out.

Investigators arrived late Tuesday at the crash site, located on Bristol Bay about 325 miles (525 kilometers) southwest of Anchorage. The cause of the crash was not immediately known, but the flights at Dillingham are often perilous through the mountains, even in good weather.

Federal Aviation Administration spokesman Mike Fergus said the plane, a 1957 DeHavilland DHC-3T registered to Anchorage-based General Communications Inc., took off at 2 p.m. local time Monday from a GCI corporate site on Lake Nerka, heading to the Agulowak Lodge on Lake Aleknagik.

He said the plane was flying by visual flight rules, and was not required to file a flight plan.

National Weather Service data shows that weather conditions deteriorated between 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. local time Monday — the approximate time the FAA said the plane took off. Volunteer pilots dispatched around 7 p.m. local time after the plane was overdue at its destination. They came upon the wreckage about a half hour later, authorities

The weather soon took a turn for the worse, with heavy fog, clouds and rain blanketing the area and making it impossible for rescuers to arrive until after daybreak. O'Keefe, his son and two others were flown to the hospital. The O'Keefes had broken bones and other injuries, former NASA spokesman Glenn Mahone said.

Stevens and O'Keefe, 54, are fishing buddies who had been planning a trip near where the float plane crashed.

Alaska National Guard spokesman Maj. Guy Hayes offered no details about the survivors' conditions or their identities.

The bodies of Stevens and the other four victims remained the scene Tuesday, investigators said.

The Stevens crash is the latest in a long line of aviation accidents to claim political figures over the years in the U.S., including Pennsylvania Sen. John Heinz in 1991, South Dakota Gov. George Mickelson in 1993, Missouri Gov. Mel Carnahan in 2000 and Minnesota Sen. Paul Wellstone in 2002.

Plane crashes in Alaska are somewhat common because of the treacherous weather mountainous terrain Many parts of the state are not accessible by roads, forcing people to travel by air to reach their destinations.

In a similar accident by another GCI-owned plane, an amphibious, float-equipped Havilland plane flipped after landing on Lake Nerka in 2002. The pilot drowned and a passenger was injured. The plane was landing on the lake in front of the lodge when the accident occurred.

Stevens was one of two survivors in a 1978 plane crash at Anchorage International Airport that killed his wife, Ann, and several others. In 1972, Nick Begich, who was Alaska's only congressman, was killed when his plane disappeared over Alaska with then-House Majority Leader Hale Boggs of Louisiana.

"Alaska has lost one of its greatest statesmen and a true pioneer of our state with the passing of Senator Ted Sevens," said Begich's son, Mark, an Anchorage Democrat who narrowly defeated Stevens in 2008.

His counterpart, Sen. Lisa Murkowski, said the state had lost a hero and "I lost a dear friend," praising his service during World War II. He flew cargo planes over "the hump" in the Himalayas and was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross.

AWhite House spokesman said President Barack Obama called Stevens' widow, Catherine, on Tuesday afternoon to express his condolences.

"A decorated World War II veteran, Sen. Ted Stevens devoted his career to serving the people of Alaska and fighting for our men and women in uniform," Obama said in prepared remarks.

Republican, moderate Stevens was appointed in December 1968 and became



One of the survivors of the plane crash near Dillingham is transferred from a U.S. Coast Guard C-130 to a waiting Anchorage Fire Department Paramedic rig on Tuesday, Aug. 10, 2010. Three of the plane crash survivors were transported aboard this flight to Kulis Air National Guard Base in Anchorage. Family spokesman Mitch Rose says Stevens was among the victims of a crash outside Dillingham, Alaska about 325 miles southwest of Anchorage.

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the longest-serving Republican in Senate history. (The late Strom Thurmond was in the Senate longer than Stevens, but he spent a decade there as a Democrat before switching to the Republican party.)

"He always kept his word to me and to other senators. In moments of legislative battle, he would come onto the floor wearing his Hulk tie, and he would growl and act like a bulldog. But then he would spot friends on the floor and give a wink and a grin," said Democratic Sen. Patrick Leahy.

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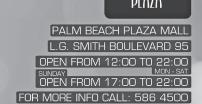




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In this photo taken on Aug. 9, 2010, Volunteers of the Falahe-Insaniyat foundation, the charity wing of anti-American Pakistan's militant group Jamaat-ud-Dawa, run a relief camp for flood-affected people in Nowshera, northwest Pakistan. The U.S. army choppers buzzed up the formerly Taliban-controlled valley laden with flour, biscuits and water. They returned loaded with hungry Pakistani flood survivors and some new friends in a country where many regard America as the No. 1 enemy.

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US AID

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The United Nations said hundreds of millions of dollars in international assistance would be needed. In Washington, the State Department announced an additional \$20 million in flood relief, bringing the total

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U.S. aid in the crisis to \$55 million

A spokesman for the Pakistani Taliban, which has attacked international aid workers in the past and has long opposed foreign assistance, said it would fund relief efforts.

The foreign aid "is deceiving the nation. It will not reach the affected people, but will be pocketed by corrupt rulers," Azam Tariq told The Associated Press by telephone, adding the disaster was God's punishment to Pakistanis for accepting secular leaders.

Highlighting the stakes for Pakistan and the United States is the quick work in badly affected areas by hard-line Islamist charities, including one with alleged militant links. With civilian authorities overwhelmed, concerns are rising the disaster will build support for the extremists, and perhaps even undo recent security gains.

The U.S. assistance is focused on the Swat Valley, which was under Taliban control until a Pakistani army offensive last year. Since then, it has been trying to rebuild with the help of the international community, which does not want the militants to return.

On Tuesday, four Chinooks — which can carry 100 people or 12,000 pounds (5,440 kilograms) of relief supplies - and two Blackhawks flew in from Bagram air base in Afghanistan, where nearly 100,000 U.S. troops are battling a related Taliban insurgency.

The U.S. also deployed 84 troops needed to fly and maintain the aircraft, and the soldiers huddled on the tarmac shortly before the flights resumed Monday after being grounded for three days by bad weather.

"Pakistanis are trapped by the floods. You will do whatever it takes to bring them back to safety. That is your mission now," Col. Don Galli told them

The helicopters soared over the Malakand Pass and into the Swat River valley, where they followed the waterway and passed over a dozen destroyed bridges and washed out roads. Mountains quickly rose up on either side of the aircraft.

They landed at Kalam, a town in the upper reaches of the Swat Valley that had been cut off for nearly two weeks. The floods destroyed dozens of buildings, including tourist hotels, and there was no food in the market and no electricity. Pakistani soldiers supervised the unloading of the supplies and helped those who wanted to flee onto the U.S. helicopters.

"We have been waiting for this day for so long," said Habibur-Rehman. "The Americans are God-fearing people, too." Another man who was named Saddam Hussein in honor of the Iraqi dictator later ousted by U.S. troops, said simply: "Thank you, America."

The passengers raised their hands up in prayer as the chopper took off and the Americans handed out muffins to the children and the elderly. Because of the general hostility in Pakistan to the United States, the mission was potentially sensitive for both countries. But so far, there has been no media or public backlash against the U.S. mission. In the past, any reported increase in U.S. Embassy personnel or army trainers has caused an outcry. While it is still early in the mission, the American effort has yet to generate much coverage in the local media. The U.S. Embassy invited local and foreign journalists onto the aircraft to report on the aid effort. Hamid Gul, a former Pakistani

spy chief who is normally virulently anti-American and a vocal supporter of the Taliban in Afghanistan, welcomed the U.S. assistance.

"If they are operating in floodhit areas, let them do this rescue work," he said. "These Americans are not fighting."

The Americans are the guests of the Pakistani army on an air base in northwest Pakistan. Pleased to be out of a battle zone, all said they were being treated well. Their hosts have even installed Western-style toilets and air conditioners in their sleeping quarters.

Three Pakistani soldiers from the U.S.-trained and equipped Special Services Group travel in each chopper, along with an assistant pilot. The U.S. servicemen carry only side arms and most stayed on or near the aircraft during the short stay in Kalam.

Pakistani Mai. Waheed Zaman said the United States "performed wonders" after the Kashmir quake.

"As far as the army is concerned, we are thankful," he said.

The U.S. Army staged a much larger aid operation in Indonesia after the tsunami, contributing to positive views of America. One village even named its main street after then-President George W. Bush.

The floods come at a delicate time in relations between U.S. and Pakistani forces. Ties had been improving, but were dented somewhat by the leak of classified military documents that showed past contacts between Pakistan's spy agency and the Afghan Taliban.

Teresita Schaffer, director of the South Asia program at the Center for Strategic and International Studies, said the relief mission was "just the kind of thing the United States ought to be doing" because it show Pakistanis that America

"The main reason is to help a friend in need, but that does not mean you should not be aware of the potential good side effects," she said.

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hits former Nazi death camp in Poland

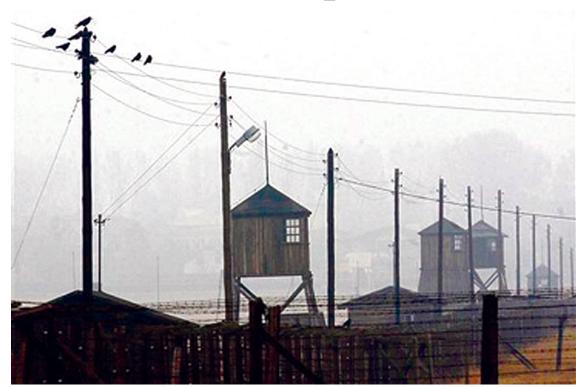
Associated Press Writer

WARSAW, Poland (AP) — A fire swept through a barrack at the former Nazi death camp of Majdanek, destroying more than half the building and possibly 10,000 shoes of Holocaust officials victims, said Tuesday. The Majdanek museum said the fire in the barrack housing a camp kitchen was discovered shortly before midnight on Monday by a guard making his rounds. The cause of the fire is not yet known and authorities are investigating. In Israel, the director of the Yad Vashem museum, Avner Shalev expressed sorrow that the historic site and valuable artifacts had been damaged or destroyed. "The damage these irreplaceable items is a loss to a site that has such historical

value to Europe, Poland and the Jewish people," Shalev said. Shalev offered assistance to the museum at the Majdanek camp, which is on the outskirts of Lublin in eastern Poland.

The museum said there were 10,000 shoes in the barrack, but that it was too soon to say how extensive the damage was. Former death camps across an area once occupied by Nazi Germany are falling into a state of disrepair decades after the end of World War II. There have also been recent cases of vandalism at some of them. The most brazen of those was the theft of the sign over the entrance gate at Auschwitz bearing the infamous slogan "Arbeit Macht Frei" — or "Work Will Set You Free."

The thieves cut the sign in three pieces, but police quickly recovered it and



In this Nov. 9, 2005 file photo watch towers and the barbed wire fence of the former Nazi death camp Majdanek are pictured outside the city of Lublin in eastern Poland. Officials said on Tuesday, Aug. 10, 2010 a fire broke out overnight in one of barracks of the former Nazi death camp of Majdanek, destroying more than half of the building and about 10,000 shoes of Holocaust survivors.

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arrested six suspects. A An replica has since been put up in place of the original, which is being restored.

estimated people, including some October 1941 and its 60,000 Jews, were killed at liberation by Soviet troops the SS-run Majdanek camp in July 1944.

80,000 in occupied Poland between



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Jury selection on at 1st Gitmo trial under Obama



In this photo of a sketch by courtroom artist Janet Hamlin and reviewed by a U.S. Department of Defense official, Canadian defendant Omar Khadr, left, attends his pretrial hearing in the courthouse for the U.S. military war crimes commission at the Camp Justice compound on Guantanamo Bay U.S. Naval Base in Cuba, Monday, Aug. 9, 2010. Khadr's trial is scheduled to begin Tuesday. Khadr is accused killing a U.S. soldier with a grenade during a 2002 firefight in Afghanistan and faces a maximum life sentence if convicted of charges including murder, conspiracy and spying.

MIKE MELIA,

Associated Press Writer
GUANTANAMO BAY
NAVAL BASE, Cuba (AP)
— A smiling Omar Khadr
appeared in a suit and
tie Tuesday and greeted
prospective jurors at the
start of his trial, billed by
defense lawyers as the first
war-crimes prosecution of
a child soldier since World
War II.

Khadr, the Toronto-born son of an alleged al-Qaida financier, is the youngest prisoner at Guantanamo and the only remaining Westerner.

He was 15 when he allegedly hurled a grenade that killed a U.S. Delta Force soldier during a firefight in Afghanistan in 2002.

The trial will be closely watched as the first under President Barack Obama, whose administration is weighing whether to use the embattled Guantanamo courts as a possible venue for dozens of other detainees — including "high-value" figures such as the self-professed mastermind of the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks and four alleged henchmen.

The Khadr case has been

held up by legal wrangling at several versions of the tribunal system since he made his first appearance in the courthouse overlooking the Caribbean Sea in 2006. The Canadian, bearded and broadshouldered man of 23, traded his typical prison jumpsuit for a gray suit before the start of jury selection. As his Pentagon-appointed attorney introduced him to the pool of 15 U.S. military officers, Khadr stood and said to them in English: "How are you?"

Defense lawyers and prosecutors spent much of the day asking prospective jurors their opinions on matters including the significance of a juvenile offender's age and the treatment of detainees at Guantanamo Bay.

Advocates have argued that prosecuting somebody who was so young at the time of the alleged offense would violate international treaties protecting child soldiers. But the court sided with prosecutors, who argued that such protections do not apply to Khadr.

At one point Tuesday, however, the judge interrupted a prosecutor's questioning to say that jurors could consider Khadr's age in deciding

whether he intended to commit a crime.

"It's certainly something you may consider in deciding whether the government has proved its case beyond a reasonable doubt," said the judge, Army Col. Pat Parrish.

Once a panel of at least five officers is seated, opening arguments are planned as early as Wednesday in a trial expected to last roughly three weeks.

Defense lawyers say Khadr was himself a victim, forced into war by a family with close ties to Osama bin Laden. His father, Ahmed Said Khadr, was an Egyptian-born Canadian citizen and alleged militant killed in 2003 when a Pakistani military helicopter shelled the house where he was staying with senior al-Qaida operatives.

"He's not a real Taliban warrior. He's a kid who was put in an unfortunate situation," said Dennis Edney, a Canadian lawyer for Khadr.

Khadr faces a total of five charges including murder for allegedly killing U.S. Army Sgt. 1st Class Christopher Speer, 28, of Albuquerque, New Mexico, after a battle at an al-Qaida compound on July 27, 2002. Military prosecutors say he also planted explosive devices to kill coalition forces and spied on U.S. troops.

He has pleaded not guilty and faces a maximum life sentence if convicted.

Meanwhile a formal conviction is imminent for another detainee, al-

Qaida cook Ibrahim Ahmed Mahmoud al-Qosi, who reached a plea agreement with military prosecutors. Details of the plea bargain with the 50-year-old from Sudan were sealed as part of the deal but will be revealed eventually following an official review, said Navy Capt. David Iglesias, a prosecution spokesman.

The system established by the Bush administration to prosecute terror suspects following Sept. 11 has yielded only three other convictions, including two detainees who have already served their sentences and returned home.

The U.S. Supreme Court in 2006 struck down one version of the military trials, known as commissions, before Congress and the Bush administration came up with new trial rules.

Obama revised them further to extend more legal protections to detainees, but human rights groups say the system is still unfair and prosecutions should be held in U.S. civilian courts instead.

The candidates for the tribunals include alleged Sept. 11 mastermind Khalid Sheikh Mohammed and four alleged accomplices who are held at Guantanamo Bay. Attorney General Eric Holder announced in November that the trial would be moved to federal court in New York, but the administration backtracked and put the issue under review after local officials objected to the costs and potential security threat.







Colombia, Venezuela leaders seek to repair ties

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SANTA MARTA, Colombia (AP) — Newly elected Colombian President Juan Manuel Santos sought to repair relations Tuesday with Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez, who cut off ties in a dispute with Colombia's former leader.

Both Santos and Chavez expressed optimism their first meeting would produce positive results, but did not go into details.

Chavez severed diplomatic relations with Colombia on July 22 after the government of Santos' hard-line predecessor, Alvaro Uribe, publicly presented photos, videos and maps of what it said were Colombian rebel camps inside Venezuela. Chavez accused of Uribe of lying and trying to stir up a conflict in his final days in office.

Trade between the neighboring countries had already fallen dramatically in the past year as relations deteriorated.

"We are here seeking the reestablishment of relations between two sister countries," Santos said as he arrived in Santa Marta on Colombia's Caribbean coast.

The two presidents greeted "turn the each other at the gates of a Trade colonial-era estate where which

19th century independence hero Simon Bolivar died. Chavez, who views Bolivar as the inspiration of his socialist movement, said it was appropriate to be making amends at a place he considers sacred.

With Santos taking a more conciliatory tone than Uribe, Chavez expressed optimism they would begin to "rebuild what was broken to pieces."

Chavez handed three red roses to Colombian Foreign Minister Maria Angela Holguin as he stepped off the plane. He said he hopes to "build new and good relations."

The 56-year-old Venezuelan president also joked that Tuesday happened to be Santos' 35th birthday, when in fact the Colombian leader was turning 59.

Hundreds of extra police beefed up security in Santa Marta, where the presidents met in private.

Santos, who was sworn in Saturday, is a U.S.-educated economist and was a defense minister under Uribe. Santos and Chavez have traded barbs in the past, but Santos expressed interest in mending ties with Venezuela — which led Chavez to offer a visit to "turn the page."

Trade between the countries, which traditionally has

bases.

Chavez has yet to address

concerns long voiced by



Venezuela's President Hugo Chavez, left, speaks with Colombia's President Juan Manuel Santos during a welcoming ceremony at Quinta de San Pedro Alejandrino 'hacienda' in Santa Marta, Colombia, Tuesday, Aug. 10, 2010. Santos and Chavez are expected to re-establish their countries ties during a meeting to defuse a diplomatic crisis over accusations Caracas is harboring Colombian guerrillas.

benefited Colombian food Colombian officials, often in producers, fell sharply in the past year, in part because Chavez froze relations to protest Colombia's decision to grant the U.S. military expanded access to its military discreetly as the two leaders

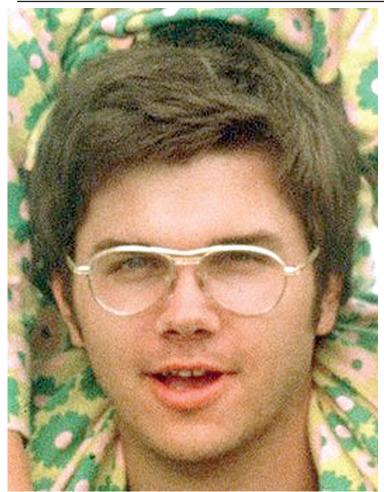
Analyst Laura Gil, a columnist Colombia has long for the Colombian newspaper be problematic.

seek to restore dialogue.

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El Tiempo, said of the meeting: "It's a good start, but there should not be exaggerated hopes."

She predicted that attempts to rebuild lost trade and obtain the sort of security cooperation from Chavez that Colombia has long sought will be problematic.



FILE - In this 1975 file photo, Mark David Chapman is seen at Fort Chaffee near Fort Smith, Ark. John Lennon's killer will seek his freedom for a sixth time in an interview before a parole board as early as Tuesday, Aug. 10, 2010. A parole hearing for Chapman, now 55, is scheduled at Attica Correctional Facility, the upstate New York prison where he has been held for nearly 30 years. Lennon's widow, Yoko Ono, continues to oppose Chapman's release.

(AP Photo/Greg Lyuan, File)

Parole hearing for John Lennon's killer postponed

John Lennon's killer has been postponed for a

Mark David Chapman was scheduled to be interviewed this week at Attica Correctional Facility in upstate New York.

A spokesman for the Division of Parole now says Chapman was told Tuesday that his interview has been rescheduled for early

BUFFALO, N.Y. - The parole hearing for The parole board says it's awaiting more information so that it has a complete record. It didn't specify what.

> The 55-year-old Chapman has been denied parole five times and has appeared before the board every two years since 2000.

> He's serving a sentence of 20 years to life for shooting Lennon four times outside the ex-Beatle's Manhattan apartment building in

Elvis' granddaughter eyes "Mad Max" role

By Borys Kit

LOS ANGELES (Hollywood Reporter) - Riley Keough, the granddaughter of Elvis Presley, is in talks to nab a role in the fourth installment of the "Mad Max" movies, "Fury Road."

The franchises' filmmaker George Miller is back in the writer-director seat. He's also producing with Doug Mitchell.

The movie's plot is being kept secret, but things take place a short while after the story detailed in 1985's "Mad Max Beyond Thunderdome," the third in the series. That keeps Mad Max, who was portrayed in the original movie by Mel Gibson in his breakout role, relatively young and allows him to be played by Tom Hardy ("Inception"). Keough -- the daughter of Lisa Marie Presley and

musician-actor Danny Keough -- will play one of

the "Five Wives," a group of women that Hardy must protect from the bad guys. Zoe Kravitz, Teresa Palmer and Adelaide Clemens are three of other wives.

Charlize Theron and Nicholas Hoult round out the cast.

The movie is eyeing a start date for early next year. Keough started modeling at age 14 but made her film debut in this year's "Runaways," the biopic of 1970s girl rock band. She played Marie Currie, the sister of bandmember Cherie Currie. This year, Keough shot "The Good Doctor" with Orlando Bloom.

She also replaced Olivia Thirlby as Jack in "Jack and Diane," the indie werewolf romancer with lesbian overtones that also stars Juno Temple and Kylie Minogue.

'Spider-Man' musical sets a Broadway opening NEW YORK - Long hanging in limbo, the musical "Spider-

Man Turn Off the Dark" is scheduled to spin its web later this year on Broadway.

Lead producer Michael Cohl announced Tuesday that the muchanticipated show will begin preview performances on Nov. 14, with opening night set for Dec. 21. Its home will be the former Hilton Theatre, now renamed the Foxwoods Theatre.

Based on the Marvel comic book hero, "Spider-Man" features music and lyrics by Bono and The Edge, with a book by its director, Julie Taymor, and Glen Berger.

Destined to be one of the most expensive musicals in Broadway history, it has been in the works for six years and faced financial hurdles. At one point, it was scheduled to begin performances this past winter.

Rock hall to mark anniversary with Elvis exhibit

CLEVELAND - The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame plans to celebrate its 15th birthday with a look back at the year rock's king turned 21. An exhibit of photos taken of Elvis Presley in 1956 by Alfred Wertheimer will open Sept. 13 at the hall.

The hall said Tuesday that the pictures offer a record of a defining period for rock and roll's most enduring figure. They show Presley in public and in private as he started to break through nationally.

The rock hall says visitors also will see a new display of nearly 30 Presley artifacts on loan from the Graceland Archives.

They include a shirt and belt the singer wore for 1970 rehearsals, and a Memphis, Tenn., proclamation for a 1961 Elvis Presley Day.



FILE - In this Sept. 9, 2009 file photo, a sign for the play 'Spider Man Turn Off the dark' is seen in New York's Times Square.

(AP Photo/Peter Kramer, file)



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Stocks cut losses on Fed's economic stimulus plans

By STEPHEN BERNARD, AP Business Writer

NEW YORK – The stock market had a half-hearted comeback Tuesday after the Federal Reserve announced it would take small steps to stimulate the economy.

The Dow Jones industrial average, down about 100 points before the Fed announced its plans, recovered to a loss of 54. The other major market indexes also bounced back from their lows. But investors were still cautious: The Dow was able to briefly show a gain, but fell back again as traders recognized that the Fed's moves, while welcome, would be small and won't cure the economy's problems.

Losing stocks were ahead of advancers on the New York Stock Exchange by almost 3 to 1. And stocks considered safe bets in a weak economy, including health care and consumer products companies, were among the gainers.

The Fed, in a statement issued after a one-day policy meeting, said it will use money from its investments in mortgage securities to buy government debt on a small scale. Because rates on bonds and other debt fall as their prices rise, the Fed's purchases should help send long term rates on

mortgages and corporate debt slightly lower. And the Fed hopes, stimulate lending to consumers and businesses.

News that the Fed would be buying government debt, and in the process reduce the supply of Treasury issues on the market, sent Treasurys higher. The yield on the government's 10-year note, which moves in the opposite direction from its price, fell to 2.75 percent from 2.82 percent before the announcement. The yield is used to help set rates on mortgages and other consumer loans.

Analysts said that while investors were hoping the Fed would take some steps to help the economy, the market recognizes the limitations of the central bank's plans.

"We had an hour or so of rally, but then it backed off a bit," said Dan Cook, Chicago-based senior market analyst with brokerage firm IG Markets. "Traders realized it's not a game changer. It's not going to pump up the market."

The purchases of debt the Fed plans are known as "quantitative easing." Economists estimate that the Fed will have about \$10 billion a month to buy the debt. That is a small amount of money compared to the economy's needs

The Fed said it would use the proceeds it earns on mortgage bonds to buy two-year and 10-year Treasurys, and that it would buy an equal amount of government debt as existing bonds mature. The net effect is to keep its \$2.3 trillion balance sheet steady, while shifting its holdings into more government debt.

In 2009 and early 2010, the Fed bought \$1.25 trillion in mortgage securities, \$175 billion in mortgage debt from Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, and \$300 billion in government debt. In March, the Fed stopped buying new mortgage securities and Fannie and Freddie debt because the economy was clearly recovering.

Some analysts said the Fed is moving slowly in its current stimulus plans so investors don't get the sense that the economy is more troubled than they have thought.

"There is only so much the Fed can do and right now it wanted to take baby steps in trying to provide additional liquidity without roiling the markets and scaring investors," Michael Sheldon, chief market strategist at RDM Financial Group in Westport, Conn.

And some analysts are



Traders work on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange Tuesday, Aug. 10, 2010, in New York.

(AP Photo/Richard Drew)

skeptical. Cook of IG Markets said that even if the Fed starts adding to its holdings of government debt, that would do little to boost the recovery. He noted that the Fed's purchases last year pushed interest rates lower and fed the stock market's big rally. But it didn't lead to more loans for small businesses, a big source of new jobs.

"They can continue to buy Treasurys to keep borrowing costs down. But if the people who need credit don't get it, it's like knocking \$50,000 off a Lamborghini. You're still not going to be able to afford it," Cook said.

The Dow closed down 54.50, or 0.5 percent, at 10,644.25 after the Fed's mid-afternoon statement. The Standard & Poor's 500 index fell 6.73, or 0.6 percent, to 1,121.06. The Nasdaq composite index closed down 28.52, or 1.2 percent, at 2,277.17.

NYSE volume came to a light 980 million shares. Volume

skeptical. Cook of IG Markets has been light all summer said that even if the Fed starts because investors don't feel adding to its holdings of secure about the economy government debt, that would do little to boost the recovery. He noted that the Fed's view.

Stock and bond investors looked past the Fed's assessment of the economy that was included in the statement although it was bleaker than the central bank's view in June. The Fed said, "the pace of economic recovery is likely to be more modest in the near term than had been anticipated."

The dollar, which is hurt by a weak economy, fell after the Fed statement was released. The Fed indicated that interest rates will remain at extremely low levels for an extended period. And currencies tend to fall on low rates.

Stocks that traders call defensive, or that are expected to hold up even in a weak economy, were the market's best performers after the Fed decision.

Moody's: Crisis left money funds near brink

By MARK JEWELL,

AP Personal Finance Writer

BOSTON – At least three dozen moneymarket mutual funds were at risk of failing during the financial crisis, Moody's Investors Service says, in addition to the one that completely collapsed.

Tuesday's report shows how shaky the nearly \$3 trillion money fund industry was after Lehman Brothers' 2008 implosion.

Money funds are designed to be convenient

places to park cash and safely earn a modest return. But clients pulled out en masse after the \$64 billion Reserve Primary Fund couldn't return a dollar for every buck investors put in, due to a soured Lehman Brothers investment.

Moody's says 36 other U.S. money funds were at risk of 'breaking the buck.' But investors avoided losses after at least 20 fund companies spent billions to prop up their funds.

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Shaq's plan: 6 teams, 6 titles in 20 NBA seasons

JIMMY GOLEN AP Sports Writer

WALTHAM, Mass. (AP) — When Shaquille O'Neal was much, much younger and a good deal smaller, too, he chose as a role model one of the most successful big men in NBA history.

"When I came into the league, I wanted to compete with Bill Russell for titles," O'Neal said Tuesday, with Russell's 11 championship banners hanging above him at a news conference to mark his signing with the Boston Celtics. "That's not going to happen, but I'd like to almost



Boston Celtics head coach Doc Rivers, right, presents newly signed basketball player Shaquille O'Neal his new jersey at a news conference on Tuesday, Aug. 10, 2010, in Waltham, Mass.

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get half of what he got."

With four titles and a Hall of Fame career already on his resume, newly christened "Big Shamrock" signed a two-year deal with the Celtics at veteran's minimum, forgoing more lucrative offers to join the defending Eastern Conference champions for a run at another championship or two.

A crossover celebrity who has appeared in feature films and his own TV show, O'Neal joked about his new nickname, his fear that his kids will develop a Boston accent and trying to beat new teammate Glen "Big Baby" Davis in a

chowder-eating contest.

But he was serious when he talked about his legacy.

"Do I have the same hunger? Yes

If I didn't, I wouldn't be here," O'Neal said. "I don't like wasting my time. I don't like wasting anybody's time. At the end of the day, when I close the book, it's all about winning."

The news conference to introduce O'Neal wasn't the usual type for a backup, 38-year-old center who will be paid about \$1.3 million a year

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Rogers Cup

Roddick withdraws; Berdych triumphs

ORONTO (AP) — Andy Roddick withdrew from the Rogers Cup on Tuesday because of an undisclosed illness.

The eighth-seeded Roddick will be replaced by France's Paul-Henri Mathieu in the main draw. After losing in straight sets in the third round at Washington last week, Roddick said he "didn't feel right physically."

Roddick dropped to No. 11 in this week's ATP rankings, the first time since the rankings began in 1973 that there is no one from the U.S. in the top 10.

In second-round action Tuesday, Wimbledon runnerup Tomas Berdych ousted Sergiy Stakhovsky 6-2, 6-4 in 90 minutes.

"I know him quite well, what his style of the game is, and it's always tough," Berdych said. "He's playing a lot of slice, chip-and-charge and coming to the net, and sometimes really fast, coming in from the baseline. You don't know what to expect."

Roger Federer, ranked No. 3, is scheduled to face Argentina's Juan Ignacio Chela in the evening session.

Frank Dancevic will also play in the night cap on center court, facing off against Switzerland's Stanislas Wawrinka.

Berdych is making his sixth consecutive appearance at the Rogers Cup. He fell to top-ranked Rafael Nadal in the Wimbledon final earlier this year.

Berdych, ranked No. 7 on the ATP Tour, has won five singles titles over his career, but none this year.

"I wouldn't change it for anything," he said. "I was really sad that it didn't happen in Wimbledon, because there was really something special, that I'd never been in a Grand



Tomas Berdych of the Czech Republic hits a backhand to Sergiy Stakhovsky of Ukraine in their match at the Rogers Cup tennis tournament in Toronto on Tuesday Aug. 10, 2010.

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Slam final."

In other matches, Serbia's Viktor Troicki upset 11th seed Marin Cilic 6-4, 7-6, while Ukraine's Alexandr Dolgopolov earned a 1-6, 6-2, 7-6 win over Germany's Philipp Petzschner. Italy's Fabio Fognini won 6-2, 6-4 over the Czech Republic's Radek Stepanek in another early match.

Also, Chile's Fernando Gonzalez has withdrawn with a left calf injury and will be replaced by India's Somdev Devvarman.

Armstrong pulls out of Leadville mountain race



Lance Armstrong and Dave Wiens, left, kick off the inaugural LIVESTRONG Ride 4 Yellow mountain bike event in Steamboat Springs, Colo., Sunday, Aug. 8, 2010.

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LEADVILLE, Colorado (AP)
— Lance Armstrong pulled
out of the Leadville Trail
100 mountain bike race in
Colorado, a high-altitude race
he won in record time last
year.

Armstrong spokesman Mark Higgins said Tuesday that the cyclist is still feeling lingering effects of a hip injury suffered in a crash early in the Tour de France. Higgins said Armstrong also wants to spend time with his family before his children begin school.

Saturday's race starts 10,500 feet and climbs 2,000 more feet. Armstrong won last year in a record time of 6 hours, 28 minutes, 50 seconds.

Armstrong also has been dealing with renewed questions about drug use during his career since exteammate Floyd Landis made allegations against him and other riders this spring. Federal investigators have been looking at lawsuits containing old accusations against Armstrong and have reached out to question his sponsors.Raceco-founderKen Chlouber is holding out hope that Armstrong will change his mind. He said Armstrong looked good Sunday when he rode the course with fellow pro cyclist Jeremy "JHK" Horgan-Kobelski of Boulder. Last year, Armstrong dethroned six-time defending champion Dave Wiens. who came in second in 6:57:01 a year after holding off the seven-time Tour de

France champ by about two

minutes ___



NL Roundup

Burrell's sacrifice fly in 11th lifts Giants

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Carlos Zambrano matched his career-high with seven walks in his first start since a June 25 dugout tirade and ensuing banishment but his Chicago Cubs lost to the San Francisco Giants 4-3 in 11 innings Monday night long after he left the game.

Pat Burrell hit a game-ending sacrifice fly off loser Marcos Mateo (0-1), who made his major league debut after being called up earlier in the day.

Edgar Renteria led off the 11th with a single and Aubrey Huff's single moved him to third. Mateo then intentionally walked standout rookie Buster Posey to bring up Burrell.

Chris Ray (5-0) recorded the final out of the 11th for the win.

Cardinals 7, Reds 3

At Cincinnati, Skip Schumaker hit his first career grand slam during the St. Louis Cardinals biggest inning of the season, supplying more than enough runs for right-hander Chris Carpenter to beat the Cincinnati Reds for the ninth time in a row.

The Cardinals provided a lopsided start to their showdown for first place in the NL Central, trimming Cincinnati's lead to one game. St. Louis sent 12 batters to the plate for seven runs in the fourth, giving rookie Mike Leake (7-4) his worst moments in the majors. Schumaker's grand slam — only his 19th career homer — made it 6-0. Carpenter (13-3) has won his last nine starts against the Reds, a streak that started in 2006. He gave up five hits and a pair of runs in seven innings.

Ramon Hernandez had three of Cincinnati's seven hits,



Chicago Cubs' Carlos Zambrano wipes his brow during the second inning of a baseball game against the San Francisco Giants Monday, Aug. 9, 2010, in San Francisco.

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AL Roundup

Lester, bullpen help **Red Sox beat Yankees**

NEW YORK (AP) — Jon — and Derek Jeter and Nick Lester received help from relievers Daniel Bard and Jonathan Papelbon in ending his career-worst four-game skid, helping the Boston Red Sox salvage a series split by beating the New York Yankees 2-1 on Monday.

Boston took the finale of the wraparound series that had four different start times because of national TV demands. The win ensured the third-place Red Sox remained six games behind AL East-leading New York, their standing when the series began. Lester (12-7) didn't give up a hit until Austin Kearns singled with one out in the fifth inning, and was lifted for Bard with the bases loaded and one out in the seventh Swisher due up.

Bard pumped six pitches past the Yankees Nos. 1 and 2 hitters, striking them out.

Orioles 3, White Sox 2, 10 innings

At Baltimore, Brian Roberts hit his first home run of the season leading off the 10th inning as the Orioles continued their uncanny run of success under new manager Buck Showalter.

Baltimore is 6-1 since Showalter made his debut last Tuesday. Earl Weaver is the only other manager in the history of the Orioles to win six of his first seven games.

After sweeping three games from the Los Angeles Angels, In other AL games it was



New York Yankees' Derek Jeter reacts after striking out during the seventh inning of a baseball game against the Boston Red Sox Monday, Aug. 9, 2010 at Yankee Stadium in New York. The Red Sox won

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Boston 2, N.Y. Yankees 1; Baltimore 3, Chicago White Sox 2, 10 innings; Tampa Bay 6, Detroit 3; L.A. Angels 6, Kansas City 4; and Seattle 3, Oakland 1.

Carpenter and a solo homer off Kyle McClellan.

Diamondbacks 7, Brewers 4, 10 innings

At Milwaukee, Stephen Drew hit a two-run single and Ryan Church added a pinch-hit RBI in the 10th inning as Arizona rallied against Trevor Hoffman.

Hoffman (2-5), who earned his first save in three months on Saturday, came on to pitch the 10th after the Diamondbacks tied it at 4 in ninth.

Kelly Johnson doubled to left with one out. With two outs, Miguel Montero was walked intentionally to face Mark Revnolds who walked on a 3-2 pitch to load the bases. Drew slapped a 2-2 pitch up the middle for two runs. Church, hitting for Sam Demel (1-0), singled to right to make it 7-

The Diamondbacks ended a seven-game losing streak to Milwaukee. Aaron Heilman

including an RBI double off pitched the 10th for his sixth save in 11 chances.

Astros 10, Braves 4

Houston, hot-hitting rookie Chris Johnson drove in three runs, including two in Houston's six-run seventh inning.

Atlanta committed three errors and had a wild pitch to help the Astros end a four-game losing streak.

Jason Heyward, who turned 21 on Monday, hit his 12th home run of the season to the bullpen in right center field. He became the fourth player to homer on his 21st birthday, joining Ted Williams (1939), Frank Robinson (1956) and Alex Rodriguez (1996) according to the Elias Sports Bureau.

In other NL games it was St. Louis 7, Cincinnati 3; Houston 10, Atlanta 4; Arizona 7, Milwaukee 4, 10 innings; and San Francisco 4, Chicago Cubs 3, 11 innings.

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Usain Bolt taking rest of 2010 off because of back



This Aug. 6, 2010, file photo shows Jamaica's Usain Bolt after his 100m heat 1 at the IAAF Diamond League 'DN Galan' at the Stockholm Olympic Stadium in Stockholm, Sweden.

Associated Press

HOWARD FENDRICH AP Sports Writer

Coming off a rare loss at 100 meters, Olympic and world champion Usain Bolt is cutting his season short, saying he won't race again in 2010 because of tightness in his lower back.

The Jamaican's manager, Ricky Simms, wrote in an email Tuesday that the world record-holder at 100 and 200 meters will have treatment to loosen his back and then rest, skipping IAAF Diamond League track and field meets in Zurich on Aug. 19, and in Brussels on Aug. 27.

"It is better for me not to take any risks this year," Bolt said, according to Simms. "2011 and 2012 are very important ... and I hope to be back fully fit and healthy. I ... look forward to coming back stronger next

vear."

Bolt hadn't lost an individual race in two years until Friday, when Tyson Gay of the United States beat him at the DN Galan meet in Stockholm. Gay ran 9.84 seconds, and Bolt finished in 9.97 — nearly 0.40 slower than his record for the 100.

Given the 6-foot-5 Bolt's recent dominance and his dynamic, crowd-pleasing personality, the sabbatical he's taking is a blow to track and field in the short term, but should give the sport a boost when he returns.

Just ask Gay, who already is looking forward to taking on Bolt again sometime next year. "It's kind of like boxers everyone is waiting for 2 heavyweights to clash. So when they do clash, it's exciting. But you don't see the heavyweights fight 2-3 times a year," Gay wrote in an email to The Associated Press on Tuesday. "So even though I was hoping we (would) race 2-3 times for the fans this year, him taking his break to get healthy for next year will make things that much more

exciting for 2011!" Ato Boldon agrees.

Boldon won four sprint medals at the 1996 and 2000 Summer Games and now is a TV analyst. He knows a good story line when he sees it.

"This is the best thing that could've happened for the 2011 season—Bolt losing like this and having to go away. If he gets the urge to party too much and not train ... I think every time he's tempted to do that in the offseason in 2011, he goes, 'I've got that crazy American guy gunning for me,'" Boldon said.

Simms said Bolt was examined Monday by a doctor in Munich who found the back problem.

"He has a tightness that restricts his ability to generate power in his stride and continuing to race in this condition could risk injury to his hamstrings or calf muscles," Simms wrote. Simms said the decision to take time off was made "with a view to his future career."

He also said that an MRI exam showed that a previous left Achilles' tendon injury that caused Bolt to take time off earlier this year is healed. The back injury "may be something where he can run on it. But run on it and risk the next three years? If Usain Bolt was my athlete, and somebody in the medical field says he has an issue where he could run and be fine or could get injured and be laid up? Guess what: That would be the end of that," Boldon said. "There's nothing to win this year. There's no sense in risking anything else."

The next outdoor world championships are in Daegu, South Korea, in August 2011; the 2012 Summer Olympics are in London.

After beating Bolt on Friday, even Gay acknowledged he wasn't racing against a fit opponent. In a Facebook posting Tuesday reacting to Bolt's announcement, Gay wished Bolt the best and said: "I've had my own injuries in the past, so I understand his decision as well as anyone."

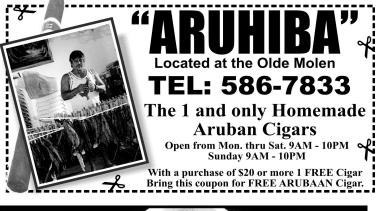
When the 23-year-old Bolt is in top gear, no one has come close to him.

"People felt the margin was so great that he could roll out of bed, almost literally, and put away anybody else in the world, including Gay," Boldon said. "People are now like, 'You know what? Maybe not.' If he's not ready to run in top form, this becomes a real tight race."

The Jamaican stole the show on the track at the 2008 Beijing Olympics, winning gold medals and breaking the world records in the 100 and 200 sprints, as well as the 400 relay. None of the finals in those events was even close, and Bolt began his celebration in the dash before it was done, stretching out his arms with palms up, then slapping his chest.

He followed up that performance at last year's world championships in Berlin by lowering his marks in the 100 to 9.58, in the 200 to 19.19.

"He is the most-known athlete we currently have, and he's definitely someone that the public asks for," said Patrick Magyar, the director of Zurich's Weltklasse meet and vice chairman of the Diamond League.







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England's top trio chasing Tiger Woods in rankings

By GRAHAM OTWAY Associated Press Writer

WENTWORTH, England – England's players in the top eight have their eye on the No. 1 ranking while Tiger Woods is sidelined with a sore neck and bruised reputation.

Lee Westwood, Ian Poulter and Paul Casey spoke of their ambitions Wednesday, a day before the start of the BMW PGA Championship at Wentworth.

Phil Mickelson, back at No. 2 after his victory at the Masters in April, is the biggest threat to Woods' 258-week reign atop the rankings. Westwood, at No. 3 for the first time in his 16-year career, knows a win

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There were a dozen TV cameras, perhaps 50 reporters in all and a couple hundred beaming schoolchildren in the bleachers, taking a break from their basketball camp next door

Also in the gym: Kevin Garnett, who promised O'Neal he would fly back from Hawaii to be there.

"To me this is a very exclusive event," said O'Neal, who wore a gray pinstriped suit and a black bow tie. "It's my last (introductory) press conference. I just wanted to be very, very sharp."

The crowd was all there to see O'Neal the superstar, the former NBA MVP and four-time champion who is certain to be enshrined in the Hall of Fame down the road in Springfield whenever he decides he's had enough.

But the O'Neal the Celtics have signed is a much different player than the one who accumulated those credentials.

Now weighing in at 345 pounds — he was 294 at university — O'Neal averaged 12 points and 6.7 rebounds for the Cavaliers last season, when he was brought to Cleveland in the hopes that he would be the missing piece that would help LeBron James win his elusive NBA title. He also missed almost two months of the regular season after injuring his thumb against the Celtics. "I told him there won't be

this weekend will keep him in first Race to Dubai money list. In recent weeks on the U.S.

"For me, the No. 2 and No. 1 positions are more achievable now than they have been in the last few years," Westwood said. "Tiger's performance, schedule and things like that are unpredictable at the moment

"Phil is obviously a worldclass player and has already won a major this year, but you know his performances are very much up and down. And the world rankings are all about consistency."

Consistency has become the cornerstone of Westwood's game during the past year in which he landed atop Europe's

30 minutes (for him) on this team; there will be 20-25," Celtics coach Doc Rivers said. "I asked him if that would be OK, because that's the only way it's going to work."

And it was OK with O'Neal, who hit the free agent market seeking a two-year deal worth a reported \$8 million to \$10 million a season. The Celtics expressed an interest—though not at that price — and general manager Danny Ainge moved on to pursue other options.

As the summer wore on, though, O'Neal came around. Ainge said O'Neal's agent called and said, "Shaq would like to play there, and he's willing to come on your terms."

"I think Shaq's a guy who can still make a difference," Ainge told reporters in a conference call after the news conference. "When he was in his prime, he was considered one of the best who has ever played. Shaq coming to our team right now, our expectations won't be that. We expect him to contribute to our team and play a role off our bench."

But that can be a major contribution for a team that is without center Kendrick Perkins for at least half the season while he recovers from the knee injury he sustained during Game 6 of the NBA finals. Backup Rasheed Wallace has said he will retire, though there is a chance the Celtics could do something with his contract.

Boston signed Jermaine

first Race to Dubai money list. In recent weeks on the U.S. tour, he's finished second at the Masters and led the Players Championship going into the final round.

The sixth-ranked Poulter, who moved into the top 10 for the first time after winning the Accenture World Matchplay at Dove Mountain in February, believes it is not just a twoman race to claim Woods' crown.

"If I win the BMW this week, then I will be at five," he said. "I have just got to keep playing well every week to try to get as close to Tiger or Phil, even Lee.

"But it's closer now than it



Boston Celtics newly signed basketball player Shaquille O'Neal talks with the media at a news conference on Tuesday, Aug. 10, 2010, in Waltham, Mass.

Associated Press

O'Neal, another reclamation project, and then added his more illustrious namesake. There won't be a problem with playing time until Perkins returns. "Shaq still can do things that no other big man can," Rivers said. "You need size to win. We think we filled that void pretty well today."

The Celtics won their NBA-record 17th championship in 2008, then returned to the finals last year before losing to the Los Angeles Lakers in seven games. While the Miami Heat have rebuilt around Dwyane Wade, LeBron James and Chris Bosh, the Celtics have largely brought back the core of last season's team, resigning Paul Pierce and Ray Allen to keep them alongside Garnett and point guard Rajon Rondo.



Tiger Woods, right, and Ian Poulter, of England, talk on the 16th tee during the first round of The Players Championship golf tournament, Thursday, May 6, 2010, in Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla

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ever was because of the points that Tiger has dropped over the past 12 months being away from the golf course. I can see anybody in the top 10 in the world now, if they over the next three months have a couple of wins and a couple of big finishes, getting to the points that Tiger has now.

"I include myself in that bracket. There are 64 points available this week and with the U.S. Open and the British Open coming up, 100 points in each of those is huge. Knock one of them over and then you are definitely going to be climbing the board pretty quickly."

Casey will attempt to successfully defend a title for the first time in his career at the BMW. Last year, he birdied the final two holes for a one-stroke victory over Ross Fisher.

The eighth-ranked Casey agrees with Poulter that the line behind Woods is getting closer by the week. However, he admits that the \$8.5 million worth of course changes designed by Ernie Els at Wentworth in the past year could make that task even harder.

In 2009, he won playing a long running ball. But with most of the greens protected by cavernous bunkers, a higher ball flight could be a big advantage.

"You can't call upon happy memories and shots that you might have used 12 months earlier," he said. "But this course is going to suit Ian Poulter because his short game is phenomenal, and when you do miss greens here now, you have to be able to get out of bunkers and get up and down."



SPURIS TODAS

Prognosis good after Mickelson reveals arthritis

NANCY ARMOUR AP National Writer

SHEBOYGAN, Wisconsin (AP) — Phil Mickelson is being treated for arthritis that surfaced just before the U.S. Open and left him in so much pain he couldn't walk.

Mickelson revealed Tuesday he has psoriatic arthritis, a condition he said causes the immune system to attack the body's joints and tendons. Weekly shots of Enbrel, which lowers his immune system, have brought the disease under control.

"I'm surprised at how quickly it's gone away, and how quickly it's been able to be managed and controlled," he said. "I feel 100 percent, like I say. But when I'm laying there on the couch and I can't move, you know, yeah, I had some concerns. But I feel a lot better now."

He's also has become a vegetarian — almost as shocking a revelation for the burger connoisseur as the illness itself.

"I know, I know," he said as reporters chuckled. "As long as I believe that there's a possibility that it will help me overall, yeah, I'll continue to do that. If it will somehow keep this in





Phil Mickelson hits a drive on the sixth hole during a practice round for the PGA Championship golf tournament Tuesday, Aug. 10, 2010, at Whistling Straits in Haven, Wis.

Associated Press

remission or stop it from coming back, yeah, I'll be able to do it. But I haven't been put to the real test. The real test is driving by a Five Guys and not stopping."

The arthritis is the latest health scare for Mickelson's family. His wife, Amy, and mother are both battling breast cancer; the long-term prognosis for both is good. Mickelson, who turned 40 in June, said he woke up five days before the U.S. Open with "intense pain" in his tendons and joints that left him unable to move and his joints feeling sprained. Stretching, walking and anti-inflammatories alleviated the pain, and he went ahead and played Pebble Beach, where he shot 66 on Friday to put himself in contention. He wound up tied for fourth. But the condition got

progressively

worse

during the U.S. Open and a family vacation to Hawaii afterward, spreading to his knees, hips and elbows.

"That's when I got concerned," he said. "I certainly had the gamut of thoughts. ... I would just lay down and I couldn't roll over. I was concerned about being able to swing a club and so forth."

After the British Open, Mickelson made a trip to the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota, where doctors confirmed the diagnosis of psoriaticarthritis. According to the Mayo Clinic website, the condition causes joint pain, stiffness and swelling. While it can be linked to psoriasis, the arthritis can appear without the presence of skin lesions.

There is no cure for the condition, according to the Mayo Clinic website, but the disease is treatable.

"I feel great now and things have been much, much better," Mickelson said. "I'll probably take this drug for about a year, and feel 100 percent. I'll stop it and see if it goes into remissio n and it may never come back. It may be gone forever."

"It's not that it's cured, but it may never come back," he added. "Or if it does come back, I'll start the treatment again and should be able to live a normal life without having any adverse effects. So I'm not very concerned about it."

Mickelson has been threatening to replace Tiger Woods as world No. 1 since The Players Championship in early May, only to stumble at each opportunity. That's led many to wonder what's ailing Lefty, particularly after his lackluster round Sunday at Firestone, where

he made seven bogeys and a double-bogey — and just one birdie — on his way to a 78.

While Mickelson said the arthritis didn't affect his play at Pebble Beach or St. Andrews, where he was never a factor, he only resumed his regular practice routine last week.

"First of all, I don't want excuses. And second, I don't want to discuss something when I don't know what the outcome is going to be," Mickelson said, referring to why he waited until Tuesday to reveal his condition. "For five or six weeks, I was a little unsure of how this was going to affect me long term, career, what have you. Now that I feel confident it's not going to affect not only the rest of my career or the rest of my life, but even in the short term it shouldn't have an effect, I feel a lot better about it and I'm a lot more at ease to discuss it."

Mickelson, the 2005 PGA champion, is seeking his second Wanamaker Trophy this week at Whistling Straits. He's also trying to win a second major in one season for the first time. He won his third green jacket at the Masters in April.

"I'm probably not as sharp as I would like to be," he said. "I didn't play well at the British, obviously. I didn't play well last week, on the weekend, but I'm able to work on it. I had a good session with Butch and I believe that the game's coming around. I'm not sure again where I'll be on Thursday but hopefully I'll be ready."

On Top Of The News

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Wednesday, August 11, 2010

Everyone is invited!

Int'l launching of Green Aruba Conference & Trade show

"Live video conferencing" from NASA and The Netherlands at Renaissance Marina Hotel

ORANJESTAD – Locals and island visitors are invited to attend the official launching of Aruba's first annual Green Aruba Conference and Trade Show "Our Future with Green Energy" at Crystal Theater on Wednesday, August 11 at 9 a.m. The first 300 people to arrive at the launching event will receive a free commemorative conference T-shirt.

The introduction of Green Aruba 2010 will feature "live feeds" from NASA and from The Netherlands with participation from Aruban scientist and Hubble Space Craft specialist Dr. Edward Cheung from NASA and former astronaut and Delft Technical University professor Dr. Wubbo Ockels from the Netherlands.

Out of Aruba, at the Crystal Theater, Prime Minister Mike Eman and Minister of Economic Affairs and Utilities Mike de Meza will give an update on the conference and trade show taking place September 29 through October 1 at Renaissance Convention Center.

Aruba has a combination of favorable climatic conditions for effective generation of energy with the help of the natural resources.

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The Westin Resort, Aruba cuts the ribbon on new parking lot



PALM BEACH - Recently, an afternoon event was held to mark the opening of the new parking lot at the Westin Resort, Aruba.

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Eman and Team Aruba leave gateway gaining ground

MADISON, ILLINOISweekend at Gateway International Raceway, fans were awarded double the racing as the ADRL completed the Hardees Independence Drags in Topeka that were delayed back in July from rain, and then the already scheduled Hardees Gateway Drags III. The grandstands were packed and the pits were filled with fans on a picture perfect weather weekend in Illinois. Both Missouri and Illinois fans alike made their way through the pits and past Team Aruba throughout the weekend, once again allowing up close and personal opportunities to talk and interact.

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The Westin Resort, Aruba cuts the ribbon on new parking lot









PALM BEACH - Recently, an afternoon event was held to mark the opening of the new parking lot at the Westin Resort, Aruba.

The renovation was done to accommodate the guests of the resort, as well as the popular in-house restaurants, like Pago Pago, Blossoms and Baci, that attract many guests from outside the resort.

A variety of local parties and events are also held at the Westin Resort, Aruba, and the addition of more parking spaces will make it much easier to accommodate.

Pictured here are executives of the property with some of the resort's local clientele, and General Manager Richard Roy cutting the ribbon









Int'l launching of Green Aruba Conference & Trade show

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The island's government has initiated the process to transition from fossil fuel dependency to more sustainable sources of energy generation with the establishment of the island's first wind park at Vader Piet.

The windmill park supplies the electricity production and water production and distribution plant W.E.B. Aruba N.V. with fuel, partially replacing the traditional fossil fuel they have used for many years. While planning to expand Aruba's wind harvesting capacity in the near future, the introduction of a range of other technologies is also in the

government's plans

This conference has as main focus exploration of the practical use of "green" technologies which employ the available natural resources wind, water and sun. Green Aruba is to become a platform where local and international experts can exchange ideas on their visions and knowledge with each other and with decision and policy makers, business people and scholars. The general public is also invited to attend the sessions.

For more information and registration or to request information on booth rental, please visit www.greenaruba.org.



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ORANJESTAD - Think about it, wouldn't it be great to return to Aruba for a fully paid vacation in paradise, for the price of a taxi cab ride?! The Renaissance Mall & Marketplace will make it happen, as it now offers a year – long promotion raffling a complete package for two, including airfare, hotel, and \$500 spending money, every three months. To participate just hop into a taxi cab from in front of your hotel, and say the magic words: Take me to the Renaissance Mall & Marketplace. Just before getting off the cab at your downtown Oranjestad destination, ask your driver for campaign vouchers.

Fill them out and drop them into the tombola located in the Renaissance Mall or Renaissance Marketplace, and cross your fingers for good luck!

The spectacular raffle will take place at the end of three months for airfare, and resort accommodations for two, and \$500 in spending money. Who knows, it might be you. Winners will be notified, and raffle

fun however has just begun. downtown time Oranjestad will be well spent as the Renaissance Mall &

Marketplace is Aruba's premier shopping, dining and dining destinations. And don't forget to ask for the mall's discount booklets bursting with special offers and gifts, valued at more than \$150, valid at stores, restaurants, bars. casinos and a day spa. For your greater convenience, upscale shopping Mecca is open from 10 am to 8 pm, Monday through Saturday, for non-stop, shop opportunities and leisurely vacation strolling and browsing. Perfectly located in the heart of downtown Oranjestad, Renaissance Mall houses over 60 stores and offers an assortment of restaurants and entertainment options. Renaissance Mall carries the latest collections of luxury brands such as Gucci, Salvatore Ferragamo, and Louis Vuitton, as well as other high-end lines and

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results posted on line. The fashions. The opening of Starbucks' second location is sure to please shoppers needing a quick pick-meup, while Aquarius and LG Smith Steak and Chophouse guarantee great dining experiences. An oasis of relaxation can be found at Okeanos Spa, while patrons looking for more exciting entertainment can try their luck at Crystal Casino or check out what's featuring at Crystal Theater—from movie premieres and boxing, soccer, and football games to live shows, concerts, and fashion shows.

> Renaissance Marketplace flaunts a great number of casual eateries and some of the island's most popular bars including Aruba's first Starbucks Coffee besides the state of the art Renaissance jewelry Cinemas, souvenirs stores, a travel agency, beach and vacation gear shops and live music most evenings. No matter where or why you travel, there's always something wonderfully new to be found at the Renaissance Mall & Marketplace.



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No hunger pangs at this Sea Jazz Festival!



ORANJESTAD - No hunger pangs or growling stomachs at the 4th edition of the Caribbean Sea Jazz Festival, because a terrific line-up of restaurants is offering its services. Casa Tua Restaurant has its fantastic pizzas on the menu, Wok Away will impress with its splendid sushi, while Papiamento Restaurant features the tastiest of local delicacies. Bingo is selling a variety of snacks for those who are salivating at the thought of a hamburger, a croquette or a snack platter with 'bitterballen'. Pico Bello is taking care of everyone's sweet tooth, with its delicious, home-made ice cream. So: no hunger pangs predicted for this year's Jazz Festival. Enjoy!

Christne & Nikos honored at the Marriott Surf Club Resort



PALM BEACH - Recently at the Marriott Surf Club Resort vacationers were presented with honorary titles created by the Ministry of Tourism as a token of appreciation to guest visiting Aruba for ten and 20 consecutive years. Special friends of Aruba, enjoying ten or more annual vacations here are given the Distinguished Guest certificate and those with twenty consecutive years are awarded the Ambassador of goodwill title. The recent

honoring was effected by the Aruba Tourism Authority Associate Ricardo Croes at the Marriott Surf Club Resort they call their home away from home. The following guests were honored as a Ambassadors of Goodwill after visiting Aruba for 20 years: Christine & Nikos Balidis from NY USA.

Pictured: ATA Rep. Ricardo Croes together with Christine & Nikos and staff from the Marriott Surf Club Resort.



Robert & Eileen honored at the Radisson Resort







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Robert & Eileen Glowacki were honored as an ambassador of goodwill after visiting Aruba for 20 years. Pictured: ATA Rep. Ricardo Croes together with Robert & Eileen and staff from the Aruba Radisson Resort.



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Crisis Management - Part 2

Yesterday, we began a discussion about removing emotions from your possible worldwide events. We concluded that, while the events may be tragic, they are a rare opportunity to connect to the Mass Human Consciousness, then bring as much of it with us into the positive as we can. Today we further our discussion, providing more theory and practical application in life.

If the time comes when darkness seems to cover the world, remember that darkness defines the light. Without the contrast of darkness, light would have no form.

Darkness is helping us to evolve, and it plays its role perfectly. The more darkness that is upon Earth, the easier it is to see the

It helps to know that each Human on earth at this time has unconsciously chosen to participate in her and his own way.

It is an unconscious choice, but it is our choice nonetheless. Even though it is a choice made by a portion of ourselves that we are not aware of, we still chose how we are going to participate in the great dimensional transformation. We made these decisions from the big-picture perspective, seeing way beyond the three dimensional body.

Earth is growing, her frequency is expanding. This is the prime opportunity for Humanity to evolve. We will all evolve naturally, just by being who we are, by expressing our true selves. by participating in our own way.

The events of high probability on the present timeline are designed to shock us and awaken us from our blind complacency. They will break down obsolete structures built on old patterns of thought, to make room for new ideas of expression. They will help us expand our imagination and our lives into unknown possibilities.

When forces push us into a negative emotional state, detach your emotions by

seeing the big picture of times of crisis. what is occurring. Universal energies are aligning and expanding into higher forms of expression. By shocking us free of our existing modes of thought, darkness shall enlighten us all.

At a very early age, I had to deal with crisis management on an extremely personal level. Among other things, I learned that in times of personal emotional crisis, it is of the utmost importance to remain calm, become logical, and separate emotion from the situation, your decisions and your actions.

In times of crisis, logic will allow us to assess the new challengeorsituationclearly. We can then determine our new immediate needs, in order to survive temporarily in the new situation, while we regroup. You will need to implement a new plan for the future.

When we remain calm, we see things clearly. Emotion distorts our vision, our decision and our action. When we take action based on emotion, we usually hurt ourselves, especially

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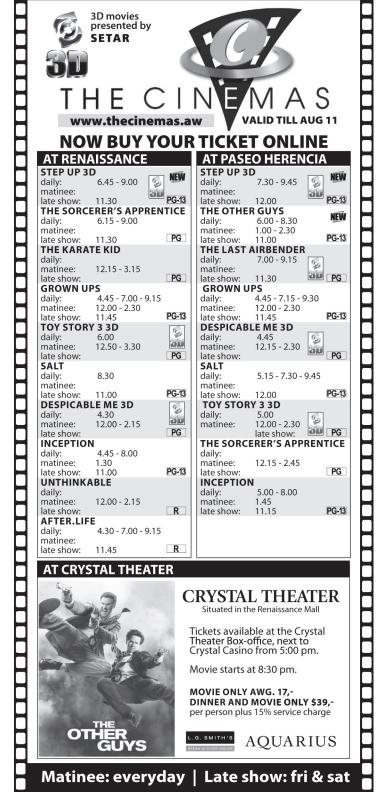
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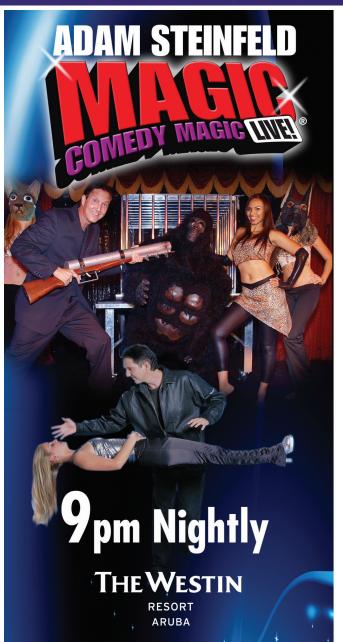
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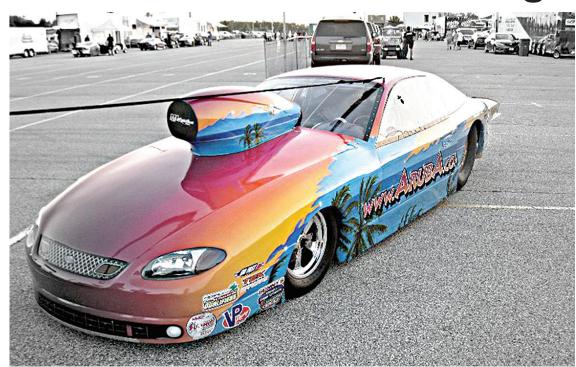
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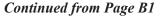
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Arubu—TODAY

Eman and Team Aruba leave gateway gaining ground

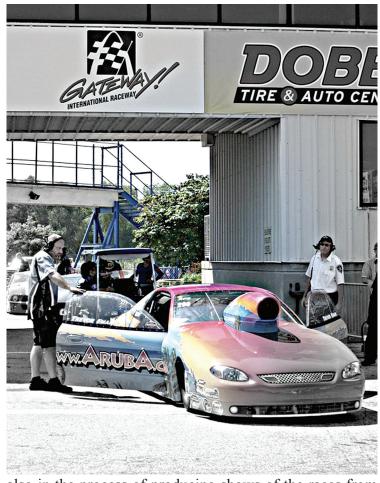






After completing all four rounds of qualifying, Eman and his crew made the cut and were set for eliminations. In round one of Pro Stock Eliminations there were sixteen cars, and despite the loss, Team Aruba held the third fastest time. The race of the round was without a doubt Trevor Eman on the line with Bryan Gahm's. Lots of drivers shook the tires or dealt with other mechanical issues, so momentum is once again going in the right direction. "We have made drastic improvements this season and continue to climb the ladder, but when you are on the line, run a great race and fall short, it's still considered progression in my book," Eman states. "The team is definitely looking forward to the next race!" In addition to success at on the track, Trevor was also busy with media opportunities that included being filmed by a production company for a reality series on drag racing set to air next season. Eman also was interviewed by ADRL's production crew, who is





also in the process of producing shows of the races from this season that will air on MAVTV. It was once again an accomplished weekend for Eman and his team, leaving their mark on the 2010 Hardees Gateway Drags, looking ahead to their date on the track in Rockingham, North Carolina. Log on to www.adrl.us and www.mmpsa.org for more information and the remaining schedule of the season. For more information about Eman and the team, check out www.Teamaruba.com or become a fan and follow us on facebook.





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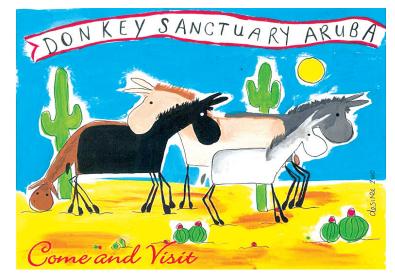




ORANJESTAD - One of last year's numerous top acts of the Caribbean Sea Jazz Festival was undoubtedly the Cosy Cotton blues band. An ecstatic audience kept on cheering them after their

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The four members of the



Cosy Cotton blues band are thrilled that internationally acclaimedsinger, songwriter and music producer Grana Louise will be belting out her songs together with them again. Alexander van Merten (drums), Boudy Loogman (bass guitar) and Bert Devies (guitar) are the original members of the 1980's band, which used to feature singer Wendy Sheridan. Now, more than 26 years later three of the band's musicians got together for a blues revival show in Holland and the bug bit again! Together with Hammond organ and piano player Joeko Dietrich they form once again the Cosy Cotton blues band. Rave reviews accompany the performances of the group, which takes its audience on a musical trip through the southern states of America, culminating in the cotton fields of Louisiana.

The story of Cosy Cotton goes back to 1986 when the band played at blues and jazz festivals, first as a warmup act, but later playing with big names like BB King, Ray Charles, Robert Cray, the Blues Brothers and Chaka Kahn. The CD that was recorded was hugely successful as well. But in 1993 the members of Cosy Cotton decided to venture out into the real world, starting businesses and getting families of their own and the band broke up. Two years ago, however, Bert, Boudy and Alexander



magic was back full blast to the joy of the former group's singer Grana Louise and her 2010, Cosy Cotton!

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Cholesterol, the Good and the Bad

kill the messenger who delivered news that king did not want to hear. Tough job, fortunately, this doesn't happen today. Or does it? With the declaration of helping patients, doctors try to eliminate your body signs (messages) with drugs. When consulting an allopathic doctor the first thing investigated is to see if you have a disease. If not, they may test your blood and identify values that they think will cause a disease. With higher than normal cholesterol numbers, cholesterol lowering drugs are frequently prescribed. Is this the best thing to do? Could it be that the remedy may be worse than the disease?

Cholesterol lowering drugs, known as statins are proving to be killers. Documents indicate senior executives of German pharmaceutical maker Bayer, knew its anti-cholesterol drug Baycol was causing illness and death long before pulling it off the market. It produces a side effect called rhabdomyolysis which causes severe pain and muscle weakness. Serious cases can shut down the kidneys and cause paralysis or death. During other drug studies, test patients have committed suicide. In fact, suicide is a stated possible risk from taking cholesterol lowering medicine. Why? Lipoproteins, which are attached to cholesterol, provide a means

by which toxins including, heavy metals, solvent toxins, pesticides, and petro-chemicals can be removed from your brain and nerves. As cholesterol falls, less lipoproteins are available lowering your body's ability to remove these poisons.

For natural physicians, cholesterol is not bad. Hydroxy sterols are found in both animal and plant life. Cholesterol, a complicated form of alcohol is the main sterol of higher life forms. With the exception of brain and red blood cells, all cells in your body are capable of synthesizing or producing cholesterol. Cholesterol provides strength for cell walls; a way to use other sterols and every day, cholesterol is converted into bile acid, which helps protect from and dissolve gall stones.

In blood your stream cholesterol contains lipoproteins. These proteins carry antioxidants such as vitamin E, beta carotene, and CoQ10 that help protect you from cancer. When cholesterol is naturally low or forced low with drugs, cancer risks rises because protection is reduced.

When a clinical nutritionist sees a high test value for cholesterol we look to see what caused your body to increase cholesterol to help protect your brain and nerves. If fat-soluble poisons are present, changing what you do or don't eat can help remove these "bad fats." With the poison gone, cells stop making excess cholesterol for protection.

So what don't we eat? Don't eat sugar, especially alcohol or any of the growing number of products with high fructose corn syrup. Stop all fried, salty, refined or processed foods, fatty dairy products or fatty meats. When we tell patients this, many tell us we have just eliminated everything they eat. In fact we have just describedtheStandardAmerican or Aruban Diet (SAD).

Ok, what do we eat? Fresh fruits and vegetables, lean meats, but not pork, whole grains like brown rice oats or quinoa, a Peruvian supergrain. Wheat is not the best choice for many people because of allergies and gluten intolerance. Fish that swim constantly in deep water are loaded with "good" HDL cholesterol which is needed to manufacture some very wonderful hormones, like sex hormones. Medicinal oils packed with HDL include: olive, evening primrose, black currant, flax, safflower and soy. Herbs that lower LDL/triglycerides (bad cholesterol) are Shiitake mushrooms, cayenne, ginger, cat's claw, garlic and turmeric.

"Good cholesterol" producing foods which include essential fatty acids (EFA) rich in Omega 3, 6 and 9 in the correct proportions have changed with modern diets. Most of us are not getting enough Omega 3's and some of us are not getting enough of omega 3 and 6. Supplementing with Flax oil or Omega fish oils is more important than ever. Lecithin is good oil I consider a basic, especially for protecting the brain. Make sure you only use fish oils certified to be free of toxins like Mercury.

Eat smaller meals, especially before bed. While you sleep, the stomach also sleeps and food does not digest properly. Want to get all this under control quickly? Eat only brown rice for three weeks. Nothing else! Include lots of water and moderate exercise. It's always best to do a cleansing diet like this with the supervision of a clinical nutritionist.

Get the point! Not all cholesterol is bad. Cholesterol lowering drugs and their known side effects are not the only choice. We need good cholesterol to protect our brains and nerves. Changes in diet and lifestyle can naturally help control not only "bad" cholesterol, but you might find improvement with symptoms of high blood pressure, arthritis, and diabetes. Call us for a full evaluation of the good and the bad of your health. Let us teach you how to turn the "ugly" into "beautiful!"

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Two overweight women cross the street in Gaithersburg, Maryland. Obesity in the United States has grown "faster than anyone could have imagined," doubling in adults and tripling in children in recent years, said a leading US health official.

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Study: Belly bulge can be deadly for older adults

By CARLA K. JOHNSON, AP Medical Writer

CHICAGO – If your pants are feeling a bit tight around the waistline, take note: Belly bulge can be deadly for older adults, even those who aren't overweight or obese by other measures.

One of the largest studies to examine the dangers of abdominal fat suggests men and women with the biggest waistlines have twice the risk of dying over a decade compared to those with the smallest tummies.

Surprisingly, bigger waists carry a greater risk of death even for people whose weight is "normal" by the body mass index, or BMI, a standard measure based on weight and height.

"Even if you haven't had a noticeable weight gain, if you notice your waist size increasing that's an important sign," said lead author Eric Jacobs of the American Cancer Society, which funded the study. "It's time to eat better and start exercising more."

Other research has linked waist size to dementia, heart disease, asthma and breast cancer

Bulging bellies are a problem for most Americans older than 50. It's estimated that more than half of older men and more than 70 percent of older women have bigger waistlines than recommended. And it's a growing problem: Average waistlines have expanded by about an inch per decade since the 1960s.

To check your girth, wrap a tape measure around your waist at the navel. No fair sucking in your bulge. Men should have a waist circumference no larger than 40 inches. For women, the limit is 35 inches.

The new study, appearing in Monday's Archives of Internal Medicine, is the first to analyze waist size and deaths for people in three BMI categories: normal, overweight and obese. In all three groups, waist size was linked to higher risk.

About 2 percent of people in the study had normal BMI numbers but larger than recommended waists. Jacobs said the risk increased progressively with increasing waist size, even at waist sizes well below what might be considered too large.

The study used data from more than 100,000 people who were followed from 1997 to 2006. Nearly 15,000 people died during that time.

The researchers crunched numbers on waist circumference, height and weight to draw conclusions about who was more likely to die. Study participants measured their own waists, so some honest mistakes and wishful fudging could have been included, the authors acknowledged.

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Four extra inches around the waist increased the risk of dying from between 15 percent to 25 percent. Oddly, the strongest link — 25 percent — was in women with normal BMI.

People with bigger waists had a higher risk of death from causes including respiratory illnesses, heart disease and cancer.

The study was observational, a less rigorous approach that means the deaths could have been caused by factors other than waist size. But the researchers did take into account other risk factors for poor health, such as smoking and alcohol use.

Some older adults gain belly fat while they lose muscle mass, Jacobs said, so while they may not be getting heavier, they're changing shape — and that's taking a toll. A tape measure, or a belt that doesn't buckle

A tape measure, or a belt that doesn't buckle the way it used to, "may tell you things your scale doesn't," Jacobs said.

Fat stored behind the abdominal wall may be more harmful than fat stored on the hips and thighs. Some scientists believe belly fat secretes proteins and hormones that contribute to inflammation, interfere with how the body processes insulin and raise cholesterol levels.

But Dr. Samuel Klein, an obesity expert at Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis, is skeptical about that theory. Removing belly fat surgically doesn't lead to health improvements. That may mean it's simply a stand-in for some other culprit that is causing both belly fat and poor health. Klein wasn't involved in the new research.

Klein said the new study, while showing a link between waist size and mortality, doesn't pinpoint exactly how much belly fat is dangerous for normal, overweight and obese people.

The 40-inch for men and 35-inch for women cutoff points are irrelevant for many people, he said.

What can be done to fight belly fat? It's the same advice as for losing weight. Eat fewer calories and burn more through walking, bicycling and other aerobic exercise. "Situps are useless," Klein said.

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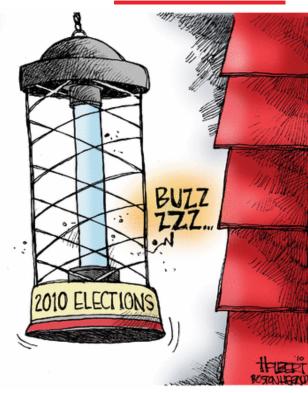
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Ideological bigotry: Are you part of the problem?

By John Renesch

San Francisco – Abraham Lincoln's famous 1858 speech emphasized "a house divided against itself cannot stand." These words come to mind as I ponder the excess divisiveness so prevalent in America today.

We are building silos of ideologies, isolating ourselves into factions, and preaching to our choirs about the faults and defects of "the other." Each silo is suffering from "groupthink" – reinforcing its own dogma and avoiding any feedback that disagrees with the party line. At its worst, it is ideological bigotry.

This subtle form of bigotry is being promoted by extremists who compete for attention. Unless it's held in check, it could tear our nation's social fabric. We've seen that happen in other countries, where ugly rhetoric eventually turns to violence.

But we don't have to stand for it. And each of us

can make a difference in our circles of influence with a simple yet profound rule for everyday communication: stop opposing what we don't like, and start proposing what we would like. Shocking e-mails from friendsI get e-mails every week from liberal friends and conservative friends – some calling themselves libertarians, some progressives – that shock me with their vitriol and the mean-spirited nature of their commentaries. In lieu of their own compositions, some of these friends forward content that drips with sarcasm and dismissive characterizations

of people with whom they disagree.

There is nothing wrong or unhealthy with contention, debate, and even argument – as long as it is in the context of respect and relationship with the other person.

Successful people realize the benefits of open discussion and debate. It often improves the outcome as both sides come to see value in the other's position.

Throughout my career in business, I witnessed meetings where passionate debate rattled the walls of the boardroom but the result was a far better idea, design, or product. The superior outcome was celebrated by all.

George Washington saw this in our nation's founding. A strong advocate of having opposing sides on issues engage in debate, he recognized how this could lead to optimal outcomes. However, he was also wary of partisanship that could lead to concretized positions and suboptimal results, often a compromise to the lowest common denominator.

Healthy differences of opinion have helped America grow and prosper. Respectful contentiousness comes with citizenship in a democracy!

The diversity of ideas and cultures has proved immensely valuable in our nation's history. And both history and common sense confirm that the key is to make sure debates are about ideas, not people.

That way, even after vigorous exchanges,

opposing players can laugh together and leave with good-natured feelings.

But cruel words and dismissive sarcasm can damage our ties with rivals – and perhaps even friends and family. Like war without explosions, it leads to wounds that cannot be healed with a drink or a laugh.

Unless more people start insisting on respectful communications about their ideologies – their "interests" – and encourage dialogue rather than war as a means of reconciling their different interests, our society will continue to divide and fragmentize.

Take a standWe are better than this! We can do much better in getting along with one another. Let's stand for a higher road in reconciling our differences.

If we insist on perpetuating this divisiveness, humans could be added to the endangered species list.

Join me in ending the cycles of incivilities, negativity, disrespect, and insulting sarcasms. Take a stand against engaging in conversations or e-mail exchanges that perpetuate these cycles and take us all down to lower levels of human relationships.

Stop listening to it; stop repeating it; stop encouraging this pattern of divisiveness. Instead of spouting our opinions and preaching to those in our silo, let's reach out to those who have different viewpoints. Nothing will change unless we do.



ARUBA HOY B15 Wednesday, August 11, 2010 Colombia y Venezuela acuerdan restablecer relaciones

SANTA MARTA, Colombia (Reuters) - Los presidentes de Colombia, Juan Manuel Santos, y de Venezuela, Hugo Chávez, acordaron el martes restablecer las relaciones diplomáticas de las naciones vecinas. El acuerdo fue logrado en la ciudad caribeña de Santa Marta durante el primer encuentro de ambos mandatarios, antecedido por la medida de Venezuela el mes pasado de romper relaciones en rechazo a acusaciones de Bogotá de que en su territorio se refugian guerrilleros bajo el conocimiento de autoridades. Santos expresó, poco después de asumir la presidencia el sábado, su disposición a resolver la discrepancia surgida en el Gobierno de su antecesor Alvaro Uribe, quien mantuvo tensas relaciones con Gomez

el Gobierno venezolano.

Ya desde hace un año Chávez había ordenado suspender las importaciones Colombia como represalia a un acuerdo militar entre Bogotá y Washington que fue considerado por el mandatario como una amenaza a su revolución socialista, pero que Uribe defendió como necesario para reforzar la lucha contra la guerrilla y el narcotráfico.

Los presidentes de Colombia, Juan Manuel Santos (izquierda en la imagen), y de Venezuela, Hugo Chávez, durante una reunión en la localidad de Santa Marta, ago 10 2010. Los mandatarios acordaron el martes restablecer las relaciones diplomáticas de las naciones vecinas. REUTERS/Jose Miguel





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